

*(A crowd of VILLAGERS
enter.)*

First Man

So our King's son is going
to be
married to-night.

Second Man

Can you tell me, when is the
wed-
ding hour ?

Third Man

The wedding hour is only
for the
bridegroom and the bride.
What have
we got to do with it ?

A Woman

But won't they give us
cakes for
the happy day ?

First Man

Cakes ? You *are* silly. My
uncle
lives in the town—I have
heard from
him that we shall have curds
and
parched rice.